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PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed are:

- Eight (8) sheet(s) of [X] formal, [] informal drawing(s).  
 an assignment of the invention to  
 a certified copy of a application.  
 Information Disclosure Statement, [] Form PTO-1449.  
 Verified Statement claiming small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 & 1.27.  
 Executed Declaration by the Inventors.  
 Preliminary Amendment  
 Associate Power of Attorney

CLAIMS AS FILED SMALL ENTITY

|                                |                     |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| Basic Filing Fee               | \$395.00            |
| Total Claims 21 - 20 =1 excess | x \$11.00 = \$11.00 |
| Indep Claims 3 - 3 =0 excess   | x \$41.00 = \$0.00  |
| Multiple Dependent Claims      | x \$135.00 = \$     |
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| <b>TOTAL</b>                   | <b>\$406.00</b>     |

**CLAMS AS FILED OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY**

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| <b>Basic Filing Fee</b>    | <b>\$790.00</b> |
| Total Claims - 20 = excess | x \$22.00 = \$  |
| Indep Claims - 3 = excess  | x \$82.00 = \$  |
| Multiple Dependent Claims  | x \$270.00 = \$ |
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| <b>TOTAL</b>               | <b>\$</b>       |

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Charge the issue fee set in 37 CFR 1.18 at the mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.311(b).

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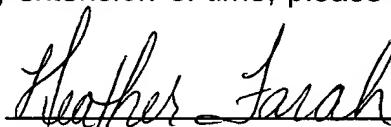
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**TOTALLING EIGHTEEN (18) PAGES; EIGHT (8) SHEETS OF FORMAL DRAWINGS;**  
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further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false  
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